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Some entertaining Particulars of the Life of the celebrated Doctor RADCLIFFE.

NOTWITHSTANDING the Doctor was very free in ridiculing a Kind of Literature which he judged entirely uſeleſs in Regard to the Method of curing Diſeaſes, and was qualified, by the Vivacity of his Wit, to give that peculiar Sagacity in diſcerning the Nature and Degree of his Patients Ailments its whole Luſtre, and make it dazzle and confound his Rivals, yet he was a fair and honourable Practitioner, had a perfect Contempt for all mean and low Artifices to wriggle himſelf into Buſineſs, and made it his conſtant Rule to diſcountenance and explode all Quacks and Interlopers in the Art; particularly he rooted out the pernicious Tribe of Urinal Caſters, with which the Nation ſwarmed at that Time. Crowds of Men and Women went daily to them with Vials, Bottles, &c. for a definitive Sentence in all Caſes. Among others, to whom ſhould one of theſe credulous Women come, with an Urinal in her Hand, but to Doctor Radcliffe? She told him ſhe had brought him a Fee, by which ſhe hoped his Worſhip would be prevailed with to tell her the Diſtemper her Huſband lay ſick of, and to preſcribe proper Remedies for his Relief. Where is he? cries the Doctor. Sick in Bed, four Miles off, replied ſhe. Being aſked what was his Trade, to which ſhe anſwered, a Shoemaker, very well, Miſtreſs, ſaid the Doctor, and taking the Urinal emptied it into his Chamberpot, and then, filling it with his own Water, diſmiſſed her in theſe Terms: "Take this with you Home to your Huſband; and if he "will undertake to fit me with a Pair of Boots by the Sight of my Water, "I will make no Queſtion of preſcribing for his Diſtemper by the Sight of "his."

In 1684, having, by his Practice in Oxford and the neigbouring Counties, acquired great Riches, he came to London; and ſettling in Bow Street, Covent Garden, was extremely followed for his Advice, which brought him into great Requeſt among the beſt Quality, and at Court likewiſe. He had not been in Town a Year when he got more than twenty Guineas a Day, as his Apothecary, Mr. Dandridge, who died worth fifty Thouſand Pounds, by his Means, has often averred. His Converſation, at this Time, was held in as much Repute as his Advice; and what with his Pleaſantry of Diſcourſe, and Readineſs of Wit in making Replies to any Sort of Queſtions, he was a diverting Companion to the laſt Degree; inſomuch that he was very often ſent for and preſented with Fees for pretended Ailments, only for the Gratification to hear him talk. However, that was too delicate a Point always to hit, nor was he conſtantly in the Humour to ſee this Kind of Addreſs to him in the moſt agreeable Light; and, wherever he conceived himſelf made Uſe of only as a Buffoon, he neither wanted Senſe nor Courage to reſent it. A Perſon of Quality, who had very much befriended him, took it into his Head to fancy himſelf extremely out of Order, when Nothing ailed him; whereupon Meſſage after Meſſage was ſent to his Phyſician in ordinary, but no Anſwer returned, only, "that his Lordſhip did not know when he was well, for he was in perfect Health, if he would but think himſelf ſo." At laſt, for Fear of carrying the Jeſt too far, and of entirely diſobliging him, he came, and aſked the Nobleman where his Pain lay; who, after much Heſitation, and various Pointings to this and that Part of his Body, ſaid he had a ſtrange ſinging in his Head. "If it be ſo (cried the Doctor) I can preſcribe to your Lordſhip no other "Remedy than that of wiping your A—with a Ballad." Which coarſe Jeſt perfectly cured his Lordſhip's Malady.

Hitherto the Doctor, who had heaped up great Wealth, ſeemed to have met with no unlucky Diſappointments, either in his Practice or other Affairs; but, in the Year 1692, Fortune reſolved to turn her Back upon him, and to let him ſee that the moſt proſperous Condition in Life is to be checkered with ſome Croſſes. Among other Acquaintance, he had contracted a Familiarity with Betterton, the famous Tragedian. This Gentleman, by the Solicitation of a Friend, had depoſited two Thouſand Pounds, as a Venture, in an Interloper that was about to ſail for the Eaſt Indies; and, having a Proſpect of a very good Return, communicated the Affair to the Doctor, who, at his Requeſt, very readily laid down five Thouſand Pounds. The Ship was ſucceſsful in the outward-bound Paſſage; but having, to avoid the French Privateers in her Return Home, firſt put into Ireland, and then, finding no Convoy ready, ſet out for England without one, ſhe was taken by the Marquis de Neſmond with all her rich Cargo, which amounted to more than one Hundred and twenty Thouſand Pounds. This Loſs broke Betterton's Back, but, though very conſiderable, did not much affect the Doctor; for when the News was brought him to the Bull Head Tavern, in Clare Market, where he was drinking with ſeveral Perſons of the firſt Rank, who condoled with him on the Occaſion, he, with a ſmiling Countenance, and without baulking his Glaſs, deſired them to go forward with the Healths that were then in Vogue; ſaying, "he had no more to do but to go up two Hundred and fifty Pair of Stairs "to make himſelf whole again."

In 1693, the Doctor, who until then had ſhown Tokens of the greateſt Averſion to Matrimony, by the Solicitations of his Friends was induced to think of altering his Condition, and the Daughter of a certain wealthy Citizen was pitched upon for that End. The Parents of the Lady, who was about twenty four Years of Age, and their only Child, very readily accepted the Offer, propoſing to give fifteen Thouſand Pounds down, and the Reſidue of their Eſtate after their Deceaſe. Accordingly Viſits were made, and the Match ſeemed to be as forward as he could wiſh; but Hymen had otherwiſe intended, for the Father's Book-keeper had forbid the Bans, by a Sort of illegal Familiarity, which, in Proceſs of Time, made the deſigned Bride very ſick, and diſcovered an Amour that could not be any longer concealed from ſuch penetrating Eyes as the Doctor's. Hereupon, though the Detection of theſe unfair Practices, which had very nigh made him Father another Man's Child, revived in him that Antipathy to Womankind which he had laid aſide for ſome Time, yet he thought it adviſeable, without upbraiding his Miſtreſs with Falſehood, to acquaint her Father of it, in the following Letter.

Bow Street, Covent Garden, *May* 19, 1693.

SIR,

THE Honour of being allied to ſo good and wealthy a Perſon as Mr. S——d has puſhed me upon a Diſcovery that may be fatal to your Quiet, and your Daughter's Reputation, if not timely prevented. Mrs. Mary is a very deſerving Gentlewoman, but you muſt pardon me if I think her by no Means fit to be my Wife, ſince ſhe is another Man's already, or ought to be. In a Word, ſhe is no better, and no worſe, than actually quick with Child; which makes it neceſſary that ſhe be diſpoſed of to him, who has the beſt Claim to her Affections. No Doubt but you have Power enough over her to bring her to Confeſſion, which is by no Means the Part of a Phyſician. As for my Part, I ſhall wiſh you much Joy of a new Son in Law, when known, ſince I am by no Means qualified to be ſo near of Kin. Hanging and marrying, I find, go by Deſtiny; and I might have been guilty of the firſt, had I not ſo narrowly eſcaped the laſt. My beſt Services to your Daughter, whom I can be of little Uſe to as a Phyſician, and of much leſs in the Quality of a Suitor. Her beſt Way is to adviſe with a Midwife for her ſafe Delivery, and the Perſon who has converſed with her after the Manner of Women for an humble Servant. The Daughter of ſo wealthy a Gentleman as Mr. S——d can never want a Huſband; therefore the ſooner you beſtow her the better, that the young Hans en-kelder may be put in Wedlock, and have the Right of Inheritance to ſo large a Patrimony. You will excuſe me for being ſo very free with you; for, though I cannot have the Honour of being your Son in Law, I ſhall ever take a Pride in being among the Number of your Friends.

Who am, SIR,

Your moſt obedient Servant,

JOHN RADCLIFFE.

Such a Diſappointment in his firſt Amour rendered him unmalleable to all the Influences of his Friends, who were very urgent with him to enter upon another. He even grew to a Degree of Inſenſibility for the Sex, and often declared "that he wiſhed for an Act of Parliament whereby Nurſes "only ſhould be entitled to preſcribe to them."

In 1694, the Doctor, who until then had kept himſelf in the good Graces of the Princeſs Anne of Denmark, made a Forfeit of them after a very uncourtly Manner, by his too great Attachment to the Bottle. Her Royal Highneſs, being indiſpoſed, gave Orders he ſhould be ſent for, in Anſwer to which he made a Promiſe of coming to St. James's ſoon after; but, not appearing, that Meſſage was backed by another, importing that ſhe was extremely ill, and deſcribing after what Manner ſhe was ſeized. At which the Doctor ſwore by his Maker, "that her Highneſs's Diſtemper was Nothing but the Vapours, and that ſhe was in as good a State of Health as any Woman breathing, could ſhe but give into the Belief of it." On his Appearance at Court, not long after, he found, to his great Mortification, that his Freedom with ſo illuſtrious a Patient had been highly reſented; for, offering to go into the Preſence, he was ſtopped by an Officer in the Antichamber, and told that the Princeſs had no farther Occaſion for the Services of a Phyſician who would not obey her Orders, and that ſhe had made Choice of Doctor Gibbons to ſucceed him in the Care of her Health.

However, he continued in great Eſteem with the King, who had a more than ordinary Occaſion to ſhow it in the Campaign of 1695, which was cloſed by the taking of Namur; for the Earl of Albemarle, who had a Command in the Army, and was one of the prime Favourites to that Monarch, was taken ill of a Fever in the Camp. Whereupon the King, who intereſted himſelf very much in ſo dear a Life, having no Manner of Confidence in the Phyſicians that attended his Royal Perſon in the Field, ſent for Doctor Radcliffe from England. He came accordingly, and, as if Diſeaſes were not able to abide when he was preſent, reſtored his Lordſhip, in a Week's Time, to his former Health, after he had been reduced to the laſt Extremity by an unintermitting Sickneſs, under which he had languiſhed near two Months. Nor did his Majeſty fall ſhort of his uſual Bounty to the Doctor on this eminent Piece of Service, giving him an Order upon the Treaſury for one Thouſand two Hundred Pounds; beſides which, the Lord Albemarle preſented him with a Diamond Ring, and four Hundred Guineas. The King likewiſe made him an Offer of a Baronet's Patent, which he declined, as likely to be of no Uſe to him, who had no direct Deſcendents, and no Thoughts of changing his Condition. The ſame Year Doctor (afterwards Sir Edward) Hannes, came from Oxford to ſettle in London, and in a little Time became principal Phyſician at Court, and was an eminent Rival of our Doctor's.

This Gentleman, who was an excellent Scholar, and well verſed in the Knowledge of Chymiſtry and Anatomy, and outdid all the Competitors he had left in the Univerſity, at his firſt Arrival in Town ſet up a very ſpruce Equipage; but finding his Attempts fall ſhort, in Relation to his Succeſs, he bethought himſelf of a Stratagem, and, to get into Repute, ordered his Footman to ſtop moſt of the Gentlemens Chariots and inquire if they belonged to Doctor Hannes, as if he was called to a Patient. Accordingly the Fellow, in Purſuance of his Order, ran from Whitehall to the Exchange, and, entering Garraway's Coffeehouſe, made the projected Inquiry there. At laſt Doctor Radcliffe, who was caſually at this Coffeehouſe about Exchange Time, and planted at a Table with ſeveral Apothecaries and Surgeons, that flocked about him, cried out, Doctor Hannes was not there, and deſired to know who wanted him. The Fellow's Reply was, ſuch and ſuch a Lord; but was taken up with this dry Rebuke, "No, no, Friend, you are miſtaken, the Doctor wants thoſe Lords." However, Doctor Hannes's Merit procured him great Buſineſs, and he became a principal Phyſician at Court. On which Occaſion an old Friend of Doctor Radcliffe's, to ſee how he would digeſt the Promotion of ſuch a young Practitioner, brought him the News of it, "So much the better "for him, cried the Doctor, for now he has a Patent for killing;" when the former, to try, if poſſible, to ruffle his Temper, who was always ſedate and calm, when he ſaw Deſigns laid to make it otherwiſe, ſaid, but, what is more ſurpriſing, the ſame Doctor has two Pair of the fineſt Horſes that ever were ſeen; and was anſwered by the other, with great Indifference, "Then they will ſell for the more."

In the Year 1697, after the King's Return from Loo, where he had ratified the Treaty of Peace at Ryſwick, his Majeſty found himſelf very much indiſpoſed at his Palace in Kenſington, and, as uſual, after his Phyſicians in ordinary had given their Opinions, would have Doctor Radcliffe's Advice. When he was admitted, the King was reading Sir Roger L'Eſtrange's new Verſion of Æſop's Fables; and told him that he had once more ſent for him to try the Effects of his great Skill, notwithſtanding he had been told, by his Body Phyſicians, who were not ſenſible of his inward Decay, that he might yet live many Years, and would very ſpeedily recover. Upon which the Doctor, having put ſome Interrogatories to him, with a quick Preſence of Thought very readily aſked Leave of his Majeſty to turn to a Fable in the Book before him, which would let the King know how he had been treated, and read it to him. It is in theſe words: "Pray, Sir, how do you find yourſelf? ſays the Doctor to his "Patient. Why truly, ſays the Patient, I have had a moſt violent Sweat. "Oh! the beſt Sign in the World, quoth the Doctor. And then, in a "little While, he is at it again: Pray how do you find your Body? Alas, "ſays the other, I have juſt now ſuch a terrible Fit of Horrour and Shaking "upon me! Why, this is all as it ſhould be, ſays the Phyſician; it ſhows "a mighty Strength of Nature. And then he comes over him with the "ſame Queſtion again. Why, I am all ſwelled, ſays the other, as if I "had a Dropſy. Beſt of all, quoth the Doctor; and goes his Way. Soon "after this comes one of the ſick Man's Friends to him, with the ſame "Queſtion, how he felt himſelf? Why, truly, ſo well, ſays he, that I "am even ready to die of I know not how many good Signs and Tokens." This done, "May it pleaſe your Majeſty, yours and the ſick Man's Caſe "in the Fable is the very ſame, ſays Doctor Radcliffe. You are buoyed "up with Hopes that your Malady will ſoon be driven away, by Perſons "that are not appriſed of Means to do it, and know not the true Cauſe "of your Ailment. But I muſt be plain with you, and tell you, that, "in all Probability, if your Majeſty will adhere to my Preſcriptions, it "may be in my Power to lengthen out your Life for three or four Years, "but beyond that Time Nothing in Phyſick can protract it; for the Juices "of your Stomach are all vitiated, your whole Maſs of Blood is corrupted, "and your Nutriment, for the moſt Part, turns to Water. However, "if your Majeſty will ſo bear making long Viſits to the Earl of Bradford's "(where the King was wont to drink very hard) I will try what can be "done to make you live eaſily, though I cannot venture to ſay I can make "your Life longer than I have told you." And he left a Recipe, which was ſo happy in its Effects as to enable the King not only to make a Progreſs into the weſtern Parts of his Kingdom, but to go out of it, and divert himſelf at his Palace of Loo in Holland.

In 1699, while the King was abroad, beyond Sea, the Duke of Glouceſter was taken ill on his Birthday at Windſor, where he had overheated himſelf with dancing. Whatever was really his Highneſs's Diſtemper, Sir Edward Hannes and Doctor Bidloo judged it to be the Smallpox, and preſcribed accordingly, but without any Succeſs. The whole Court was alarmed at this unlucky Diſaſter, and the Princeſs of Denmark, notwithſtanding her juſt Reſentment of Doctor Radcliffe's Conduct to her, was prevailed upon, by the Counteſs of Marlborough and Lady Fretchville, to ſend for him; who, upon firſt Sight of the Royal Youth, gave her to underſtand that there was no Poſſibility of recovering him, ſince he would die by ſuch an Hour the next Day, as he did. However, with great Difficulty the Doctor was perſuaded to be preſent at the Conſult, where he could not refrain from bitter Invectives againſt the two Phyſicians above mentioned, telling the one that it would have been happy for this Nation had he been bred up a Hatter Maker (his Father's Occupation) and the other continued making a Havock of Nouns and Pronouns, in the Quality of a Country Schoolmaſter, rather than have ventured out of his Reach, in the Practice of an Art to which he was an utter Stranger, and for which he ought to have been whipped with one of his own Rods.

At the Cloſe of this Year, the King, on his Return from Holland, found himſelf very much out of Order, and ſent for Doctor Radcliffe, the laſt Time, to Kenſington; for he was then to be as much out of Favour with his Majeſty as he was with the Princeſs. After the neceſſary Queſtions put by the Phyſician to the Royal Patient, the King, ſhowing his ſwollen Ancles, while the reſt of his Body was emaciated, and like a mere Skeleton, ſaid, Doctor, what think you of theſe? "Why, truly, replied he, I "would not have your Majeſty's two Legs for your three Kingdoms;" which Freedom was reſented ſo much, though not taken Notice of then, that all the Intereſt of the Earl of Albemarle, the chief Favourite, could not reinſtate him in his Majeſty's good Graces, who, from that Hour, never would ſuffer him to come into his Preſence, though he continued to make Uſe of his Diet Drinks until three Days before his Death, which happened to fall out much about the ſame Time as the Doctor had calculated, and which the King had frequently ſaid to the Earl juſt mentioned would come to paſs in Verification of Radcliffe's Prediction.

Upon Queen Anne's Acceſſion to the Throne the late Earl of Godolphin uſed all his Endeavours to reinſtate the Doctor in his former Poſt; but ſhe would by no Means conſent to his coming to Court, though ſhe was laid up then by the Gout, alleging, in Bar of his Lordſhip's Recommendation, "that Radcliffe would ſend her Word again that her Ailment was Nothing "elſe but the Vapours." However, in all Caſes of Emergency and critical Conjunctures, he was continually adviſed with; and it was owing to his Preſcriptions that the Gout was prevented from taking its Reſidence in her Majeſty's Head or Stomach. For though he was not admitted in Quality of the Queen's domeſtick Phyſician, yet he received large Sums out of the ſecret Service Money for his Preſcriptions, behind the Curtain; and it was wholly through his Means that her Majeſty was recovered from the very Brink of the Grave at Windſor, the Year before her Death.

In 1709, a Fellow that had robbed the Doctor's Country Houſe, one Jonathan Savil, who was under Sentence of Death for another Fact, took a Reſolution of writing to the Doctor, and acknowledging his Offence, ſince his Intereſt might be of Advantage to him in theſe diſmal Circumſtances. Hereupon, when the Doctor was with ſeveral of the Nobility and Gentry at the Mitre Tavern in Fleet Street, a Letter was put into his Hands from the condemned Criminal, ſpecifying the Injury he had done the Doctor, taking Shame for it, and entreating his Pardon and Interceſſion, not without ſtrong Promiſes of Reformation, and Reſtitution, if ever it lay in his Power. The Company, upon hearing the Letter read, ſtood amazed at the Requeſt, and were in great Expectations of hearing ſome Witticiſms thereupon from the Perſon it was addreſſed to; but the Doctor, on the contrary, very ſeriouſly bid the Meſſenger come to his Houſe for an Anſwer in two Days, and then, taking the Lord Granville into another Room, ſaid he had received ſuch Satisfaction from the ſaid Letter in clearing up the Innocence of a Man he had unjuſtly ſuſpected of the ſaid Robbery, that he muſt be a Petitioner to his Lordſhip to give him his Intereſt with the Queen in the Criminal's Favour. This being granted, and ſucceſsfully applied, the Meſſenger was diſmiſſed, at the Time appointed, with a Reprieve and Warrant for Tranſportation to Virginia; where, in a little Time, by Virtue of Letters of Credence from the Doctor to the Governour, the ſaid Savil (who was living in 1715, in flouriſhing Circumſtances) made ſuch Returns to his Patron and Interceſſor, in the Commodities of the Country, as more than fully made Amends for the Damage he had formerly done him, which was computed at one Hundred and fifty Pounds.

The Year 1709, though remarkable for many notable Cures performed by our Britiſh Æſculapius, was in particular famous for an Inſtance of the inſtability of the moſt fixed Averſion and Reſolutions. The Doctor, as has before been recited, was ſo much prepoſſeſſed againſt any Kind of Thoughts of the fair Sex that he very often ſlighted Calls from them under the greateſt Neceſſity of his Aſſiſtance, and could not be prevailed with, but very ſeldom, to attend them. But Cupid owed him another Caſt of his good Will; and, in a Viſit to a young female Patient, of great Beauty, Wealth, and Quality, ſo ſtruck him with the Irreſiſtibility of her Charms as to make him ſtand in Need of a Phyſician himſelf, who came under that Denomination. The Doctor was, however, arrived at an Age wherein the Beſt of Mankind's Thoughts are turned upon other Conſiderations than thoſe of Love; but the Lady juſt mentioned was too attractive not to inſpire the coldeſt Heart with the warmeſt Sentiments. Accordingly, after he had made a Cure of Her, he could not but imagine, as naturally he might, that her Ladyſhip would entertain a favourable Opinion of him; and, to make his Addreſſes to her, he altered his Liveries into a more ſumptuous Equipage, and ordered a new Coach to be made, that ſhould ſparkle in the Ring with thoſe that belonged to other Admirers of the fair Sex. But the Lady, however grateful ſhe might be for the Care he had taken of her Health, divulged the Secret of that ſudden Eccliarciſement to ſome of her Confidants, one of whom made it known to Mr. Steele, Publiſher of the Tatler, who had ill Nature enough, on Account of Party, to write that Ridicule of it which we ſee in the Tatler, Number 44.

Nothing more diſtinguiſhed the Doctor's great Skill, and Regard to the Ties of Friendſhip, in the following Year, than the noble Stand he made againſt the Aſſaults of Death in the Caſe of the then Lord Craven. That noble Peer had been his Bottle Companion, and inſeparable Acquaintance, for ſome Years, and was, through the Means of exceſſive drinking, brought to ſuch an ill Habit of Body as to be deemed incurable by his Phyſicians in the Country. Hereupon the Doctor, without being ſent for, took a Journey down to Berkſhire, where he found Things in the Condition beforementioned, and left ſuch Preſcriptions behind him, that, by their Help, his Lordſhip was able to ride and hunt in a Month's Time; though, ſome Months after, by returning too freely to the Bottle, he ſunk under a Relapſe. After the Loſs of his Friend the Doctor ſeemed to be leſs chearful in Converſation, and loſt a good Part of his uſual Mirth and Facetiouſneſs. However, this Melancholy wore off by his continuing to follow the Buſineſs of his Profeſſion, as he did with the greateſt Aſſiduity; of which beſides the Recovery of Lord Viſcount Weymouth, that of Mr. Betton, a Turkey Merchant, was an illuſtrious Proof not only of his Skill, but of his Generoſity, to ſuch as were worthy of it. And how he behaved to ſuch as were unworthy, his Conduct, the ſame Year, to old Tyſon, the rich Uſurer, at Hackney, is an egregious Inſtance.

The firſt of theſe Perſons lived then at Bow, near Stratford, where he lay ſo very ill, of a Complication of Diſtempers, that his Life was deſpaired of. Sir Richard Blackmore, Doctor How, and ſeveral others of the principal Phyſicians in and about the City of London, had been in vain conſulted, and Abundance of Fees given, to no Manner of Purpoſe; when a Friend adviſed him to have Recourſe to Doctor Radcliffe, notwithſtanding the Charge of his Attendance would be very great, and Nothing under a Preſent of five Guineas would be acceptable to him for a Journey from Bloomſbury to Bow. The Doctor accordingly came, and, after two Attendances only, gave the ſick Man ſuch Content that he very freely made him acquainted with his Satisfaction in his Endeavours and Abilities, and deſired him to omit no Opportunity of viſiting him; for he ſhould, in Conſideration of the great Benefit, be glad of giving him five Guineas every Day, till his Recovery, for the Favour of it. He received for Anſwer: "Mr. Betton, the Generoſity of your Temper is ſo engaging that I muſt, "in Return to it, invite you come and drink a Diſh of Coffee with "with me at Garraway's, this Day Fortnight; for, notwithſtanding you "have been very ill dealt with, follow but the Preſcriptions I ſhall leave "with you till that Time, and you will be as ſound a Man as you ever "was in your Life, without one Fee more." Accordingly he was to, and came to Garraway's at the Day appointed, in perfect Health, in which he continued for ſeveral Years after.

Tyſon was a Man of vaſt Wealth and Eſtate, and ſaid, at the Time of his Deceaſe, to be worth more than three Hundred Thouſand Pounds. It happened that this Figure of a Man, without any Thing like a human Soul, had ſo dealt with Quacks, for Cheapneſs Sake, that he was reduced to the loweſt Ebb of Life; his Continuance in it being, in a Manner, deſpaired of. His Friends and Neighbours had repeated their Inſtances with him, to no Manner of Purpoſe, that he would look out for ſome able Phyſician for his Preſervation; but the Coſt was a greater Terrour than even the Apprehenſions of Death itſelf. At laſt, the extreme near View of the next World ſeems to have frightened him into a Reſolution of uſing ſome proper Means to make his Abode in this as long as poſſible; in Order to which he pitched upon Doctor Radcliffe as the only Perſon capable of giving him Relief in this dangerous State, but the great Difficulty was how to keep the Doctor from diſcovering him, ſo as he might procure the Doctor's Aſſiſtance without the uſual Expenſe. At laſt, with that View, he and his Wife agreed to give the Doctor a Viſit, at his own Houſe; and, being carried in their own Coach to the Royal Exchange, there they hired a Hack to Bloomſbury, where, with two Guineas in Hand, and a very mean Habit, Mr. Tyſon opened his Caſe to the Doctor, not without alleging his Poverty, as a Motive for having Advice upon moderate Terms. But neither his Sickneſs nor his Apparel had diſguiſed him ſo much as to deceive the Doctor, who had no ſooner heard what he had to ſay, and taken his Gold, but told him, "He might go Home, and "die and be damned, without a ſpeedy Repentance; for both Death and "the Devil were ready for one Tyſon of Hackney, who had raiſed an im-"menſe Eſtate out of the Spoils of the Publick, and the Tears of Orphans "and Widows, and would certainly be a dead Man in ten Days." Nor did the Event falſify the Prediction, for the old Uſurer returned to his Houſe, quite confounded with the Sentence that had been paſſed upon him; which, whatever might be his Fate afterwards, was fulfilled, as to his Death, in eight Days following.

In 1710 he recovered the Duke of Beaufort from the Smallpox, having firſt predicted the Succeſs with his uſual Confidence. This Cure impreſſed upon the Dutcheſs, his Lordſhip's Grandmother, ſuch an implicit Faith in the Doctor's Skill, that, though then in the eighty fifth Year of her Age, ſhe declared it was her Opinion ſhe ſhould never die while he lived.

The ſame Year he entertained Prince Eugene of Savoy with a very remarkable Dinner, which was occaſioned by the following Accident. During this Prince's Stay in England, it happened that his Highneſs's Nephew, the Chevalier Soiſſons, was ſo bruiſed, in a nightly Rencounter with the Watch, that he was thrown into a violent Fever, which was ſaid to terminate in the Smallpox. Doctor Radcliffe, after a Day, being called upon for his Advice, frankly told the Prince, "that he was extremely "concerned he could be of no Service to him in the Recovery of a Perſon "ſo dear and ſo nearly related to him as the Chevalier, ſince the Sieur "Swartenburg, his Highneſs's Phyſician, had put it out of his Power, by "miſtaking the Nature of the Diſtemper; but that he ſhould hold it "amongſt the greateſt Honours he had ever received if he might have the "Happineſs of entertaining ſo great a General, to whoſe noble Atchiev-"ments England was ſo much indebted, at his poor Habitation." In Purſuance of which Invitation, after the Chevalier was interred amongſt the Ormond Family, in Weſtminſter Abbey, and the Prince had dined and ſupped with ſeveral of the Nobility, he acquainted Doctor Radcliffe with his Intention of making him a Viſit, on ſuch a Day. The Doctor made Proviſion for his Gueſt, and, inſtead of the high Dainties which his Highneſs found at other Tables, he ordered his to be covered with Barons of Beef, Jiggets of Mutton, and Legs of Pork, for the firſt Courſe. Upon which the Prince, at taking Leave, ſaid, very gallantly, in French, "Doctor, I have been fed at other Tables like a Courtier, but received at "yours like a Soldier, for which I am highly indebted to you, ſince I muſt "tell you that I am more ambitious of being called by the latter Appel-"lation than the former; nor can I wonder at the Bravery of the Britiſh "Nation, that has ſuch Food and Liquors of their own Growth, as you "have this Day given us a Proof of." The Prince's mention of the Liquors alluded to ſome Beer, ſeven Years old, which the Doctor cauſed to be ſerved round to the Company.

In 1714 the Doctor had the Misfortune to ſee that fatal Accident fall out, which he always dreaded, in the Death of his beloved Duke of Beaufort. This Loſs ſtruck him ſo to the Heart, that, to ſeveral of his Friends, who were then with him at the Bull Head Tavern in Clare Market, he declared, "That, now he had loſt the only Perſon whom he took Pleaſure "in converſing with, it was high Time for him to retire from the World, "to make his Will, and ſet his Houſe in Order, for he had Notices within "that told him his Abode in this World could not be twelve Months "longer." Which actually happened that ſame Year, on the firſt of November, he being ſixty four Years of Age.

The DEMONIACK. *A Novel tranſlated from the* Spaniſh.

HOW ingenious is Love! How many are the Reſources it has for uniting two Hearts ſmitten with each other, notwithſtanding all croſs Accidents and oppoſing Obſtacles! If any One ſhould doubt of this Truth, the following Adventure will afford ample Proof of it.

A Number of Strangers, compoſed chiefly of very amiable Women, arrived at an Inn of the City of Lucca. As they entered a Man was going out, whom they fancied, by his Garb, to be a Phyſician. They found themſelves not miſtaken, overhearing his Converſation with the Miſtreſs of the Houſe. I cannot yet, ſaid he to her, diſcover whether this Girl be mad, or poſſeſſed with the Devil, but I think ſhe is both; yet notwithſtanding her mad Freaks, and the Demon that has taken Poſſeſſion of her, I believe I ſhould cure her, if her Uncle, in too much Haſte to continue his Journey, was to give me Time to effect a Cure of ſuch Importance. What is this? ſaid the Strangers; we can never lodge in a Houſe that entertains mad Folks and Demoniacks. Let not your Ladyſhips be alarmed, anſwered the Hoſteſs. Believe me, remain here, and you will ſee, without the leaſt Danger, what the curious would come a Hundred Leagues to ſee, if they had any Knowledge of what is tranſacting in my Houſe.

The Strangers hereupon came to a Reſolution among themſelves to ſtay, and aſked what were thoſe extraordinary Things they were deſired to expect. Follow me, ſaid the Hoſteſs, addreſſing herſelf to the Women, and you will be able to judge of the Matter yourſelves. They ſtepped with her into a Chamber, where there was a Bed ſumptuouſly adorned. There they ſaw lying a very beautiful Girl, of the Age, as it ſeemed, between ſixteen and ſeventeen. Her Arms were tied down to the Bolſter of the Bed. Two Women, that ſerved as Attendants to her, were buſy in keeping her Legs alſo faſt bound to the Bed, and ſhe was earneſt in entreating them to deſiſt, becauſe Modeſty would deter her from being guilty of the leaſt Indecency. Then turning ſuddenly to the Strangers, O ye, ſaid ſhe to them, that are undoubtedly Angels incarnate, and perhaps are come down from Heaven to reſtore my Health to me, I conjure you, pure Intelligences, by the Power you are commiſſioned with from our common Creator, to command thoſe material Subſtances, who have bound me, to ſet me free this Inſtant. All I want is to bite four or five Times my Arms, and then I ſhall be ſatisfied, and made incapable of doing the leaſt Miſchief. Poor Niece, cried an old Gentleman, who had juſt entered the Room, my dear Iſabella! recommend thyſelf to God for recovering thy Senſes, from whom thou haſt received them, and, far from coveting to devour thy delicate Fleſh, eat of that which thy Uncle, who loves thee tenderly, would fain preſent thee. Speak, tell me thy Wants. We are rich enough to enable me to ſatisfy thy Appetite with the moſt exquiſite Produce of the Earth and Waters. I want Nothing but Reſt, replied the young Lady. Let theſe Angels be left with me; their Preſence may chaſe far from me the Demon I am belaboured with, for ſurely he cannot abide in ſuch Company. The old Gentleman went out, and every One with him, except the Strangers.

When Iſabella ſaw herſelf alone with them, ſhe prayed them to look about if any One remained in the Chamber that might hear them. They aſſured her there was no One. Then ſhe ſat up as well as ſhe could, and ſhowed a Deſire to explain herſelf. She opened her Mouth, but inſtead of Words Nothing found Vent but Sighs, and theſe with ſo much Vehemence that it was thought ſhe was going to breathe her laſt. This, however, was ſucceeded with ſo great a Dejection of Spirits, and ſuch Weakneſs, that ſhe fainted away on her Bed. The Women called out for Help, and the Uncle ran in, holding in one Hand a Crucifix, and in the other a Bruſh dipped in holy Water. Two Friars came in likewiſe, who, fully perſuaded that the Devils were tormenting Iſabella, promiſed to plunge them back again into Hell's Abyſs. Iſabella, recovering from her fainting Fit, and viewing the whole Apparatus of Exorciſm, good Sirs, ſaid ſhe to them, your Endeavours are to no Purpoſe; you cannot compel me to quit this Place; I will not leave it but when I pleaſe, and this ſhall not be till Andrew Marulli comes, a young Cavalier, who was born in this City, and who now is a Student in the Univerſity of Salamanca, and quite regardleſs of what is paſſing at Lucca.

This Speech helped to confirm thoſe that heard her in the Opinion that Iſabella was really poſſeſſed by a malign Spirit; for how otherwiſe could ſhe know that, in a City ſhe was never in before, there was a Family of the name of Marulli? From ſuch inconceivable Knowledge it was evidently concluded that the Devil ſpoke by her Mouth. Full of this Notion, the two Friars exerted themſelves to deliver Iſabella; but their Citations of the Spirit were fruitleſs, the Devil would not quit Hold. Iſabella, who had her Reaſons for not getting rid of him, prayed their Exorciſts to defer their good Offices to another Time, and to withdraw; which they did, together with the old Gentleman.

The Doors being ſhut again. The beautiful ſick Lady, were ſatisfied ſhe could ſpeak without Fear, the firſt Thing I require of you, ſaid ſhe to the Women that remained in the Chamber, is to diſencumber me of the Embarraſſment I am under; for though theſe Bandages are not over tight, they ſtill incommode and hinder me from converſing with you at my Eaſe. On a Requeſt made with ſo much good Senſe, ſhe was unlooſed. Iſabella ſat up in her Bed, deſired the Ladies to draw near, and even ſeat themſelves on the Bed; ſhe took each of them familiarly by the Hand, and ſpoke to them as follows.

Very probably, Ladies, you take me for what I am not, and my Extravagance might authoriſe your Opinion as well grounded; but be not prejudiced, I beſeech you, and believe that the Demons have no Share in the Character I here aſſume in Spite of me. My Name is Iſabella Caſtruccio, and, though born of very noble and opulent Parents, who ſometimes praiſed Heaven for granting me ſome Beauty, I am the moſt unhappy Perſon in the World. My Father and Mother were originally of Capua, in the Kingdom of Naples, and I was born at Madrid. Having loſt them in early Life, I was brought up in my Uncle's Houſe, the old Gentleman you have ſeen, who has long reſided at Court. But, alas! why ſhould I go ſo far back with the Hiſtory of my Misfortunes? Let us paſs to their principal Cauſe.

A young Cavalier came to Court, when I was with my Uncle. I ſaw him, for the firſt Time, at Church. He fixed my whole Attention. I could not help entertaining for him very tender Sentiments, which no other had inſpired me with. You may blame me, perhaps, for not having made myſelf Miſtreſs of my firſt Emotions. I accuſe myſelf of it; but, young as I was, and without any Experience of Love, how could I make Reſiſtance againſt an Object that preſented itſelf with all the Graces that Nature could endow it with? In ſhort, I loved him; I ſaw him a ſecond Time at the ſame Place, and my Love received an additional Increaſe. I loſt no Time in getting Information of his Birth, Qualities, and his Occupation at Court. I learned that his Name was Andrew Marulli, Son of John Baptiſt Marulli, one of the moſt ancient Senators of the Republick of Lucca, but, at the ſame Time, indifferently provided with the Goods of Fortune; that his Morals were without Blemiſh; and that he was going to perfect his Studies at Salamanca.

Being afraid of his leaving Madrid before I had an Opportunity of converſing with him, I found Means to have intimated to him my Sentiments in his Favour. He was told of my great Riches, and how highly prized I was for Beauty. He was alſo told that my Uncle, in Quality of Guardian, was intent on obliging me to marry one of my Relations, that my Fortune ſhould not go out of our Family; but that I had an invincible Averſion to that Marriage. He was let to know that it depended on him to avail himſelf of my Inclination for him to retrieve the Circumſtances of his Family; and, if the Match ſuited him, Meaſures would be concerted for introducing him to me.

His Anſwer was, at firſt, not ſo favourable as I wiſhed. He was not unacquainted, he ſaid, with my Fortune or great Beauty; he had ſeen me ſeveral Times, and, being prepoſſeſſed with the ſtrongeſt Inclination for me, had informed himſelf who I was, to judge if he could reaſonably devote himſelf to that Inclination, or ſtop ſhort its Progreſs. He had learned that, if our Conditions of Birth were nearly equal, I had over him the Advantage of a Fortune very ſuperiour to his; and, ſince that Eclairciſſement, he had uſed continual Efforts to conquer an Affection which Reaſon did not permit he ſhould ſuffer to take Root in his Heart.

The Perſon who was my Agent in this Affair, returning to the Charge, deſtroyed all his Scruples, and, exhorting him to prefer the Counſels of Love to thoſe of Reaſon, diſpoſed him, without Difficulty, to ſee me. We facilitated the Means a few Days after. I need not proceed to the Detail of our Converſation. Marulli aſſured me that, regardleſs of the Conſideration of my Fortune, he felt for me the Heat of a Fire that could not be extinguiſhed, and ſhould be ever grateful for the Permiſſion I granted him to love me. He conjured me not to yield to the ſeductive Speeches of my Uncle. He promiſed to help me to divert him from his Purpoſe in Regard to my being married to my Kinſman, as ſoon as he ſhould return from Salamanca, where he was under a Neceſſity of going for a ſhort Time. I aſſured him alſo, on my Part, that, as it was not the Nature of my Sentiments to admit of Birth and Death in an Inſtant, I would oppoſe, during his Abſence, every Enterpriſe againſt my Will. We afterwards ſeparated, and I ſaw him ſhed Tears when he paſſed under my Balcony the Day he left Madrid. I knew, by theſe Tears, that he departed without quitting me; and I felt, by a certain Emotion, that I followed him without quitting the Place I was in.

But to what Reverſes of Fortune are not the Wretches expoſed whom her Caprice is to perſecute? The Day after Marulli's Departure my Uncle informed me that he had juſt taken Leave of the King, being charged by him with a Commiſſion to the Court of Naples, which required his ſetting out as ſoon as poſſible. He recommended to me to make Preparations for accompanying him the next Day. I had no Occaſion to counterfeit the ſick Perſon, to oblige him to defer our Departure. The News ſo alarmed me that I was inſtantly ſeized with a Fever, attended with a Delirium, which gave my Uncle great Uneaſineſs. Thanks, however, to the Goodneſs of my Conſtitution, no ill Conſequences enſued. Still was I obliged to yield to my Uncle's Will. He did not ceaſe telling me that my Sickneſs was only the Effect of my Repugnance to the Marriage he had propoſed to me, and that I ſhould be cured of it ſo ſoon as I had ſeen the Perſon he had deſtined for my Huſband. I pretended I ſhould be glad of, at leaſt, a few Hours Repoſe, and I availed myſelf of this Reſpite to write to Marulli, and inform him of what had paſſed. I let him know that I could not help taking a Journey to Italy; that when we ſhould be beyond the Alps I would perſuade my Uncle to take through Lucca the Route to Capua; that I would feign in this City to be ſuddenly poſſeſſed with wicked Spirits, to give him, by that Feint, Time to return from Salamanca; that in Spite of my Guardian, and the whole World, I would make him my Huſband, if his Deſign was ſtill to be ſo; and that I ſhould judge of his Tenderneſs for me by his Diligence in repairing to Lucca, that I might acquit myſelf of the Part I intended to play on his Account.

My Letter written, I commiſſioned a faithful Meſſenger to deliver it to him, and I am perſuaded that Marulli received it as ſoon as he arrived at Salamanca. I have been now here three Days, exorciſed as if I had a Legion of Devils in my Body; but I aſſure you there is no other than Love, a ſweet and yet terrible Devil, who will ceaſe tormenting me the Moment Marulli comes to exorciſe me himſelf.

This, Ladies, is my Hiſtory; and I ſhould be infinitely obliged to you for your aſſiſting me in my innocent Impoſture, by engaging my Uncle not to go hence until the Devils are expelled. Perhaps a Delay of ſome Days will be ſufficient to give Marulli Time to arrive, and enable him to deliver me out of my Perſecutor's Hands, and to put me in a Condition of thanking you for your good Services.

When Iſabella had put an End to her Story, thoſe who had heard it, ſurpriſed at its Novelty, could not help laughing heartily with her upon the Stratagem; and all promiſed, as far as they poſſibly could, to promote its Succeſs. She ſtill ſet all her Engines at Work to confirm her Uncle, and the Phyſician, in the Opinion of her being poſſeſſed. Her new Friends alſo endeavoured to perſuade them that none but Demons could ſpeak by her Mouth Things which ſhe had no Knowledge of before her Arrival at Lucca. The old Senator Marulli, who had heard that the Devil ſpoke of him by the Mouth of the poſſeſſed, had the Curioſity to hear Iſabella, and for that Purpoſe came to the Inn, pretending to inquire after the Phyſician. The Doctor, having procured him Admittance to her Bedſide, is it not a ſad Caſe, ſaid he, Seignior Marulli, that the Devil ſhould take up his Abode, in ſo angelick a Body? For our Conſolation, he gives us Hope he will ſoon depart from it; and, as a Sign of his ſo doing, deſires to expect the coming of your Son Andrew. A fallacious Hope it muſt be, anſwered the Senator, having no other Grounds than the Promiſe of the Father of Impoſture; and I am aſtoniſhed that ſo wiſe a Man as you are ſhould give Credit to it. You would not be ſo credulous if you had read the laſt Letter of my Son, who, when he wrote to me, was ſetting out from Madrid to Salamanca, where he is to reſide for ſome Time. If I did not feel, ſaid Iſabella, I know not what Tenderneſs for that venerable Gentleman, I could aſſure him that I do not impoſe upon him, when I promiſe the Return of his Son. A Truce of your Tenderneſs, replied, tartly, the Senator, who believed he was ſpeaking to the Devil, and not to the beautiful young Lady; thoſe Terms of ſoft Inſinuation are but a poor Bait for a Chriſtian, as I am; and we know, ſeducing Spirit, that thou doſt not flatter but to lead into Temptation. Your Son, replied Iſabella, thinks otherwiſe than you do in Regard to me; he knows that my Temptations tend to Nothing contrary to Nature, and he has given himſelf to me, to gain Poſſeſſion of a Heart which he would not have obtained if I had not concurred to make him Maſter of it. Ah! the Wretch, replied the Senator, are theſe the Fruits of the Sentiments of Religion I inſpired him with! He did only, on this Occaſion, ſaid Iſabella, what yourſelf would have formerly done; and, if I took it into my Head, I would bring him here from Salamanca to have your Approbation of the Engagement he has entered into with me for his Happineſs. A fine Happineſs, indeed! cried out again Marulli, with a mournful Air; yes, a fatal Happineſs, and its Reward an Eternity of Pain. Well, ſaid the Exorciſt Friars, who were juſt come in, let her bring him hither; we ſhall learn from him the Conditions of the Engagement, and ſhall break and diſſipate the Projects of all the Angels of Darkneſs. This is excellent Reaſoning, ſaid Iſabella to them; but permit me to tell you, that Nothing but the Preſence of Andrew Marulli can extricate me from the Power of the inviſible Agents that now keep me in Bondage.

The Phyſician, believing he already ſaw the infernal Empire deſcending upon the whole Company, to oblige them to ratify the Engagement, ſculked ſecretly towards the Stairs; and he was hurrying down them, taking four Steps at once, when the Uncle, coming up, ſtopped him ſhort, and kept him from breaking his Neck. Where are you going in ſuch Haſte? ſaid he; come back, and you will hear Something aſtoniſhing. Good Folks, ſaid he to the Company, when he got into his Niece's Chamber, our Devil ſeems now to be of better Faith than we thought; and I doubt not but he will ſoon take Wing, ſince Andrew Marulli has juſt now fallen, as it were, from the Clouds, into the moſt publick Square of this City. Begone, added he, looking at Iſabella, go thy Ways, thou accurſed Demon; *Vade, vade, retro*, as thou haſt promiſed, and for the Future leave in Peace a Girl that is ſo dear to me.

This Piece of Intelligence had ſuch an Effect on the old Senator, that, imagining his Son to be tranſported through the Air, he fell back on a Chair more dead than alive. A cold Sweat trickled down his Face, and the Phyſician, inſtead of helping him, cried out for Help for himſelf, begging they would ſend for any of his Confraternity that lived neareſt, or was ſooneſt found in the Way. The ſame News produced a different Effect on Iſabella's Mind. She could not help teſtifying her Joy, which made the Exorciſts believe that the Demons applauded themſelves, in her ſatisfied and laughing Eyes, for the Diſtreſs of the dying Parties. The Guardian did not know what to think on his Side, eſpecially on being appriſed of the Devil's Threats againſt him, while he was laſt abſent. He would fain fancy that Andrew Marulli was ſtill at Salamanca; and, to ſpirit up the old Senator, it can be only, ſaid he, the Phantom of your Son that has been ſeen in the great Square. It is well known that the Devil is very dexterous at making Dupes of the ſimple by like Apparitions. No, no, anſwered Iſabella, who already heard the Voice of Andrew Marulli coming up the Stairs, I have impoſed no Commands on fantaſtick Demons; Phantoms are only formed out of groſs Air, and Andrew there is a ſolid Body, compoſed of Fleſh and Bones. Is it not true, aſked ſhe, looking at him enamoured, that Spectres of your Species are not inſenſible of Beauty's Attractions, and that you had given yourſelf to me to ſubject to you a Heart which would ſtill keep aloof had not I diſpoſed it to a Surrender.

Every one trembled at the Sight of Marulli, and none dared to come near him. Even his Father could not be perſuaded that it was he in Perſon, and all had like to die with Fear, when Andrew ſpoke theſe dreadful Words, addreſſing himſelf to the beautiful Caſtruccio: Thou didſt deceive me then, abominable Seductor, when thou didſt promiſe me the Affection of that Divinity whom I adore; thou ſhouldſt have put me in Poſſeſſion of ſo precious a Treaſure, and thou haſt ſeized it for thyſelf. Charmed to ſee her Lover ſecond ſo well the Intention of the Letter he had received at Salamanca, and judging it was neceſſary, for a Moment, to renounce the Decorum of Language, Ingrate, replied ſhe, doſt thou ſo repay, with unjuſt Reproaches, the Devil's Sincerity, and perhaps the moſt faithful of all the Demons in the Air, on the Earth, or in the Abyſs? Have I brought thee from Salamanca to Lucca to plunge a Poignard into thy Boſom, though I cheriſh thee as my dearer Half? And wouldſt thou not loſe the Object of thy Love if I had not taken Poſſeſſion, to retain it for thee? I preſerve it ſo well for thee, that, notwithſtanding thy Ingratitude, I will not deſert it, till thou art put in peaceable Poſſeſſion; and tranſport it with thee into the Indies, if, this Inſtant, its Guardian, thy Father, and all the Aſſiſtants, do not conſent, by a written Inſtrument, to thy Happineſs.

The Road from Salamanca to Lucca, which it is believed the Devil had made Andrew Marulli travel over through the Air, had ſo affrighted ſome of them, that they dreaded being carried themſelves to the Indies by the ſame Route and the ſame Vehicle, if they refuſed the deſired Conſent. The Exorciſts were of Opinion it ſhould be given, in Order to amuſe the Devil. The old Senator thought as they did. The Propoſal was then made, the pretended Devil approved of it, and the Phyſicians, ſeeing every One ſigned, even the Ladies, Confidants of the ſham Demoniack, did the ſame; he afterwards wanted to engage the Guardian to ſubſcribe alſo his Signature, through Complaiſance, ſaid, ſaid he, if any unforeſeen deviliſh Trick ſhould happen to aggravate his Ward's Diſorder, both might be accuſed of Harſhneſs, and the Accident laid to their Charge. Your Reaſon appears to me very good, anſwered the old Gentleman, who placed great Confidence in him; but if it ſhould be diſcovered that we had conſented to the marrying of two Devils together, for they are real Ones that here ſpeak, your Inquiſitor would not put a jeſting Conſtruction on the Matter. He would, on the contrary, conſider it as a Profanation, and the only Favour he could confer upon us would be to ſend us both to a Madhouſe. Sign, however, ſaid the Phyſician; my Profeſſion authoriſes me to purſue any proper Means for attainining my propoſed End; and the Inquiſitor himſelf, who has been hitherto indebted to my Skill for his Life, would paſs by, unnoticed in me, ſtill more extraordinary Matters. You conceive, equally with me, that your ſigning engages you to Nothing, becauſe it is not poſſible a Farce ſhould be here acted to byaſs us; and that the Devil, though quite ſubtle, is not ſo to the Degree of concerting, without Preparation, a Piece that ſurpaſſes all human Underſtanding, nor to ſet in Motion Springs which can only be effected by Nature. Since you adviſe me to it, replied the Guardian, I will ſign by your Example; but remember, that you muſt be reſponſible for the Conſequences.

When Iſabella had in her Hands the Conſent in Form, ſhe delivered it to Andrew Marulli. Art thou now ſatisfied, ſaid ſhe to him? Wilt thou any more accuſe me of having deceived thee? I reſtore thy Iſabella to thee, who has been ſo taken, by my Care, with thy fine Qualities, that theſe three Days paſt ſhe has waited thy coming with the Firmneſs of a Rock, vainly laſhed about by indignant Waves. She gives thee her Hand, give her thine; be united to each other, and, when one of the Exorciſts ſhall confirm your Union, I will leave you both, to enjoy, in Peace, a Felicity which I do not tolerate in all Marriages.

The elder of the Friars, in Order to expel more expeditiouſly the Devil, made the two Lovers declare that, without any Compulſion, and of their own Will, they plighted each other their Faith. Then Iſabella proteſted that the Demon had left her at full Liberty to accept or refuſe the Hand of Andrew Marulli, and that ſhe had not given him her's till ſhe was plainly convinced Heaven had ratified her Marriage with that Cavalier.

Theſe Words made her Uncle change Colour. Well, ſaid he to the Phyſician, do you call this Enchantment and Witchcraft? It is you, anſwered the Doctor, that made me believe the Devil ſo amuſed People, and I little expected a Trick at the Bottom. Nor I, ſaid the Guardian; and I ſhall take Care to put an End to the Sport. Away, Niece, Bag and Baggage, let us take the Route of Capua. No, ſaid, humbly, the Friar to him, who had joined their Hands; ſhe ſhall remain here; our holy Mother, the Church, muſt not be a But of Deriſion, and we ſhall attend her till the lawfull Paſtor of the contracting Parties completes what we have begun. I will never ſuffer it, cried the Guardian. Good God! can the gray Hairs of an unfortunate old Man be ſo diſhonoured? Softly, Sir, ſaid Andrew Marulli's Father to him, my Alliance does not diſhonour you, though my Fortune is leſs than yours. Beſides, I have been no Way inſtrumental to the Marriage; your Niece and my Son have concerted the Buſineſs without my Participation, and you muſt own that when we were of their Age we were capable of the like Artifice. Youth and Love make great Allowances for ſuch Improprieties in Conduct.

Whilſt he ſpoke, Iſabella's Uncle, from Exceſs of Vexation, became ſo weak that they were obliged to have him carried into his Chamber, and put to Bed. His beautiful Ward quitted her Bed, got herſelf dreſſed, and followed Andrew Marulli, who conducted her, as his Spouſe, to his Father's Houſe. She was there received with all the Marks of Conſideration due to her Rank. On his Side, the Phyſician exerciſed on the old Uncle all the Skill he had bragged of to him; but the Remedies he preſcribed were of no Efficacy in Regard to a Patient who no longer placed any Confidence in him; and in two Days Time this good Guardian appeared in the other World, to make the Report of his Ward's Impoſture. This Accident, however, did not retard the Celebration of their Marriage in due Form; and it may be thought that the happy Iſabella did not fail to invite the amiable Strangers, who had ſeconded her to ſuch Advantage.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 7.

BY a Veſſel from Nevis, in twelve Days, we learn that a Ship had arrived there from Briſtol, in a ſhort Paſſage, which brought Advice that an Embargo on all outward bound Veſſels had taken Place in England, as War was expected to be declared every Hour.

A French Ship, from Hiſpaniola, is put into Norfolk, in Diſtreſs.

The Northward Poſt, who did not come in laſt Week, owing to the Bridges being carried away by the late heavy Rains, arrived this Day; and by him we have the following Intelligence.

LONDON, *December* 6.

WE hear that on Monday fifteen more Men of War and Sloops were put in Commiſſion.

It is ſaid that ſome new Regulations, no leſs ſalutary for the Colonies than ſatisfactory to the Mother Country, are now agitating; the Hint of which was ſuggeſted by a Nobleman who has, on ſeveral Occaſions, diſtinguiſhed himſelf in a great Aſſembly.

We hear that the Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty will ſoon be required to attend the Houſe of Peers, on very important Buſineſs.

A Marriage is talked of between Prince Henry of Pruſſia and the Empreſs of all the Ruſſias.

It is ſaid that an univerſal Change will ſhortly take Place in his Majeſty's ſeveral Governments in America, and the Weſt Indies.

The last Time Lord Chatham went to the Upper Room of the Robin-hood Society a Person put a Paper into his Hand, with a Request that he should speak upon the Contents immediately in the Room. His Lordship repeated the Circumstances, with observing that the Writing was very familiar to him, having received, in the Course of last War, many of his Intelligences in the same Hand. He farther observed, that it intimated that the very French Engineer who had planned the taking of St. Philip's had given a second Plan for the taking of Gibraltar, which was agreed to by the Courts of France and Spain; and according to the immediate Preparations made in Consequence of this Scheme, he did not doubt that the Garrison of that Fortress was already besieged.

Lord North, it is said, has openly declared himself, in Council, *for War.*

By a Gentleman who arrived on Friday Night from France we have undoubted Intelligence that the French have twenty six Men of War manned, and ready to sail, in the Harbour of Brest; and also that the French Soldiery were marching, in great Numbers, towards the Sea Coast.

A Courier is expected from Spain, we hear, the latter End of this Week.

It is said that the House of Lords will adjourn for the Holidays on Thursday, and the Commons on the Day following.

It is a certain Piece of Information that the joint Efforts of the Courts of France and Spain have not been able to procure, as yet, a sufficient Number of Sailors to man Half the Number of Ships that we have now ready for Service.

WHITEHALL, *December* 8. His Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable John Earl of DUNMORE, now Governour of New York, to be his Majesty's Lieutenant and Governour General of the Colony and Dominion of VIRGINIA; William Tryon, Esquire, now Governour of North Carolina, to be Governour of New York, in the Room of the Earl of Dunmore; and Henry Martin, Esquire, to be Governour of North Carolina, in the Room of Mr. Tryon.

SALEM. *January* 29.

BY Vessels from Lisbon, arrived at Marblehead, we are favoured with Extracts of Letters dated the 1st, 13th, and 17th of December. One of them contains Advices from Cadiz, of November 16th, which indicate an Accommodation of the present Disputes, which seemed to be the general Opinion throughout Spain; but when the last Vessel, also arrived at Marblehead, left Bilboa, which was on the 30th of November, the Spaniards were under fearful Apprehensions of a Rupture taking Place soon, and she despatched as fast as possible.

A Packet sailed for New York four Days before Captain Griste came out. Another was arrived from New York, in eighteen Days. A Declaration of War was speedily expected when Captain Griste sailed.

Lord Viscount Weymouth has resigned the Seals of Secretary of State for the northern Department, and the Earl of Sandwich is appointed in his Room. The Honourable Henry Frederick Thynne is appointed joint Postmaster General, in the Room of the Earl of Sandwich.

ANNAPOLIS, *February* 14.

A REPORT is just come to this City that a Vessel is arrived at Marblehead, which left the Downs on the 25th of December; and that just before she sailed an Account came there that the Spaniards had besieged Gibraltar, with a large Fleet.

A consolatory Epistle to the Reverend Mr. D——p, *upon the unlucky Discovery of his being the Author of his own Panegyrick published in* Purdie's *Gazette, the 17th of* January *last.*

I.
UNhappy Priest! whose ardent Zeal,
With Gesture apt express'd,
The *one Thing needful* to pursue
Thy careless Flock has press'd.

II.
The Grace divine thou dost enforce,
With Eloquence uncommon;
And th' inward Light dost well dis-play,
Though yet perceiv'd by no One!

III.
Thou *Faith* above *good Works* do'st set,
Upon a fit Occasion;
And then *good Works* to *Faith* pre-fer'st,
Without a Contradiction!

IV.
For WILKES and Liberty thou roar'st,
And for the Patriot JUNIUS;
Their Writings from the *Pulpit* quot'st,
As *Saints* of inspir'd Genius!

V.
Thou prov'st that we, in Conscience,
The Parliament to hate; ought
And, if we would be sav'd, must curse
All Ministers of State.

VI.
Thou nuptial Duties dost explain
In new and striking Manner,
And thy young Hearers dost exhort
To follow close Love's Banner.

VII.
This, and much more, in matchless Stile,
Thou dost to them impart;
No venal Motive prompts *thy* Tongue,
'Tis *Glory* fires thy Heart.

VIII.
The Love of Praise, so much thy Due,
No One can justly censure;
Since, that thou hast not Talents rare,
No One t' assert can venture.

IX.
But though to thy ungrateful Flock,
With *Stentor*'s Voice thou bellow;
Or grieve in Strains would melt a Rock,
No cheering Plaudits follow.

X.
Thou thump'st the Cushion, with much Force,
In Hopes that *that* may rouse them;
Thy Flowers of Rhetorick all are lost,
An Orpheus could not move them!

XI.
For still thy Eloquence divine
None ever comprehended,
Nor did it answer thy Design
To be by all commended.

XII.
"Damn'd Fools ye are," in Lan-guage plain,
Thou tell'st them from the Rostrum;
And well thou may'st, since they are
To thy specifick Nostrum. blind

XII.
A Recompense, good Man, thou seek'st,
From those who ought to make it;
And wisely, therefore, do'st resolve
By Stratagem to take it.

XIV.
With *Skill* a labour'd Piece thou writ'st,
And, *modest* beyond Measure,
Thy timorous Worth but Half dis-play'st,
Too frugal of thy Treasure.

XV.
Expecting thence Applause to gain,
And be much celebrated
For Elegance, and Learning too,
And *Manner animated.*

XVI.
And to conceal the pious Fraud,
Thou mak'st another copy't;
And when transcrib'd, thou privately
Into the Press do'st pop it.

XVII.
Though *Rind* doth clownishly refuse
Th' Encomium rare to publish,
Yet *Purdie* is more kind, and doth
Both Types and Paper furnish.

XVIII.
But, sad Mischance! some wicked Spright
The Secret doth discover,
And, quick as Lightning, doth pro-claim
The News, the Parish over.

XIX.
Malicious Tongues are busy grown,
The Parson still are roasting,
That Christian Humility
Should guilty be of boasting.

XX.
That he, who worldly Things dis-claim'd,
With much Vociferation,
Should his own Doctrine thus forget,
And *pilfer* Approbation.

XXI.
But Courage take, regard them not,
'Tis Envy, Spite, and Railing;
Thou only took'st what was thy Lot,
A Fig for their Reviling!

MORO-MASTIX.

Advertisements.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 7, 1771.

THE Subscriber, who has lately entered into the RALEIGH Tavern, begs Leave to solicit the Customers of that House for a Continuance of their Favours, and he hereby acquaints the Gentlemen who lodged there in publick Times that their Rooms will be still kept in Order to receive them. He flatters himself that he will be able to give Satisfaction; as no Pains, nor Cost, shall be spared for that End.

JAMES SOUTHALL.

AS the excessive Severity of the Weather for a few Weeks past, and the late great Freshes, will, in all Probability, prevent many, who would choose to become Purchasers, from attending on the 28th Instant, we think it proper to delay the Sale of our Lands in *Culpeper* until the 25th of *March*.

CHARLES GRYMES.
FEBRUARY 20, 1771. BENJAMIN GRYMES, Junior.

FREDERICKSBURG, *February* 20, 1771.

MR. *Daniel Warden*, of *North Carolina*, is desired to take Notice that it is necessary I should see him soon, relating to his Suit against *West*.

JAMES MERCER

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 7, 1771.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to inform the Publick that he has taken the House lately occupied by Mr. *Robert Anderson*, where Gentlemen may be accommodated in the best Manner; and hopes, by his Care and Assiduity, that he shall be able to give Satisfaction to all who may please to favour him with their Custom.

CUTHBERT HUBBARD.

N. B. He still carries on his Business of Peruke making, Shaving, and Hair dressing, in a Shop nearly opposite Mr. *James Cocke*'s Store.

WILLIAMSBURG, *March* 7, 1771.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to acquaint the Gentlemen who favoured him with their Custom that he is now removed to Colonel *Johnson*'s House, behind that of Mr. *Waller*; where they may depend upon the best Accommodation for themselves, Servants, and Horses.

RICHARD HUNT SINGLETON.

NORFOLK, *March* 4, 1771.

IMPORTED in the Ship *Fairfield*, Captain *Gavin Hamilton*, from *London*, and lodged with us, a Package of Goods marked ABML in a Piece, No. 1, for which no Bill of Lading was given. Any Person claiming it, and proving his Property, may have it on paying Chrrges to

WILLIAM & JOHN BROWN.

ROBERT STEELE, STAYMAKER,
At Mr. JOHN RICHARDSON's, *Tailor*,
Church *Street*, NORFOLK,

CARRIES on his Business in all its Branches. He returns Thanks to all Ladies that have honoured him with their Custom, and hopes for a Continuance of their Favours. All Orders from the Country shall be punctually executed.

FOUND in *Williamsburg*, by a Negro, a Pinchbeck WATCH with a Shagreen Case. The Owner may have it on proving his Property, paying the Charge of this Advertisement, and giving a small Gratification to the Finder.

CHARLES BARHAM.

I AM willing to dispose of a Tract of LAND containing about one Thousand Acres, two Hundred Acres (Part thereof) low Grounds, lying on *Mebern* River, nearly opposite to *Donaldson*'s famous low Grounds, together with (or without) the Negroes thereon, Stocks of all Kinds, Utensils of Husbandry, and every Thing appertaining to the Plantation. Amongst many Things that may be justly said in Favour of the Land, it is well situated for a Negro Quarter, being convenient to Mills, and remote from Courthouses and very publick Roads. The Terms of Sale are reasonable, and the Credit shall be extended from one to five Years, as will be most convenient and agreeable to the Purchaser. The Premises will be readily shown to any Person inclinable to treat for and view the same by *William Ellis*, Overseer thereon.

JOHN RUFFIN, Junior.

To be SOLD *at* Jamestown, *on* Friday *the 15th of this Instant, for the Benefit of the Ensurers,*

ALL the Rigging, Sails, Cables, and Anchors, belonging to the Brigantine *Industry*; also her Cargo which was saved, being about three and thirty Hogsheads and Tierces of very good *St. Christopher's* RUM. Credit until the 10th of *December* next will be allowed for all Sums above fifty Shillings, the Purchasers giving Bond and Security.——At the same Time will be sold a Quantity of *Jamaica* RUM, several Tierces of double and middling refined SUGAR, a large Quantity of *British* OSNABRUGS, *&c.* The Time of Payment for these Articles will be agreed on at the Day of Sale.

EDWARD CHAMPION TRAVIS.

Pursuant to the last Will and Testament of Mr. John Harris, *deceased, will be exposed to publick Sale, on* Wednesday *the 20th of this Instant* (March) *if fair, otherwise next fair Day, at his late Dwellinghouse, in* Surry *County,*

TWO valuable Tracts of LAND, *viz.* One whereon the said Mr. *Harris* lately lived, containing upwards of two Hundred Acres, on which there is a convenient Dwellinghouse with two Brick Chimnies, a Kitchen and a Quarter, with a Brick Chimney to each of them, and all necessary Outhouses. There is a good Apple and Peach Orchard, and seventeen Bushels of Wheat sown on the said Tract. The Land is kind for Grain, and, with a little Dung, very suitable for Tobacco. The other Tract, which almost joins it, contains about the same Number of Acres, is light Land, and very kind for Grain; there is enough cleared, under a good Fence, to work three or four Hands. Each of the said Tracts is very convenient to Church, Courthouse, Mill, and Landing. The Purchasers may have eighteen Months Credit, and enter upon the Land on the Day of Sale, giving Bond, with approved Security, for the same.——At the same Time and Place will be sold all the personal Estate of the said Mr. *Harris*, except the Slaves. The Purchasers may have twelve Months Credit for all Sums above twenty five Shillings, on giving Bond, with Security, to

CHRISTOPHER MACRAE. } Executors.
MICHAEL NICHOLSON. }

N. B. All Persons indebted to the above Estate are desired to make immediate Payment, and those to whom the Estate is indebted to make their Claims known to the Executors.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Prince Edward*, some Time in *June* last, a Negro Lad named WINDSOR, who for several Years past has waited upon me, and is acquainted with most Parts of the Country. He is a sensible and artful Fellow, about five Feet high, a handsome lively Look, and speaks quick. He was taken up by Mr. *William Mitchell* of *York*, and committed to that Jail, at which Time he called himself *William Florence*, and said he was free, and, by the Assistance of some other Negro imprisoned with him, broke the Prison. He has since been seen about *Williamsburg*, near which Place perhaps he is still concealed. He carried away with him a brown Holland Coat, blue Broadcloth Waistcoat, two white Linen Shirts, two Pair of Osnabrug Breeches, and good Shoes and Stockings. As I have Reason to apprehend he will endeavour to get on Board a Vessel, in Order to make his Escape out of the Colony, I do hereby forewarn all Masters and Commanders of Vessels from taking him on Board. I will give TEN POUNDS to any Person that will contrive him to me, and FIVE POUNDS for such Intelligence that I may get him.

Tf WILLIAM WATT.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from the Sloop *Tryal*, in *Rappahannock* River, on the second of *December* last, a bright Mulatto Man Slave named SAM, the Property of Mr. *Charles Yates* of *Fredericksburg*, who bought him last *May* of Colonel *Warner Lewis* of *Gloucester* County, since which Time he has been constantly with me, until he ran off. He is about twenty five Years old, six Feet two Inches high, strong limbed, well made, and a very likely Fellow; he has a Scar on his Forehead over one of his Eyes, I think it is the left, some Colour in his Cheeks when warm, and has a long Shock of Wool on his Head, which he often shears about the Crown. He was bred partly to the Plantation and Farming Business, and sometimes, as he informed me, was employed as an Axe Man and Sawer, about Ship building. His Dress was such as Sailors wear, and was imported ready made, an under Jacket of spotted Swanskin, or Cotton, and is too short for him in the Arms; he had also a milled double Yarn Cap, of two Colours, and took with him his Bedding, a new spotted Rug which he had stolen, and several Yards of mixed coloured Broadcloth, cut from a whole Piece that he had stolen, the Remainder of which he distributed amongst the Sloop's Crew to bribe them to Secrecy. His Thefts were certainly the Cause of his Flight, to avoid the Gallows; for he was never punished whilst with me, nor ever complained, neither had he any Cause to be dissatisfied at his Treatment; and it is probable his Apprehensions will make him endeavour to escape out of the Colony, under the Character of a Seaman. I have heard he was at *Norfolk* on *Christmas* Day, and there pretended to have belonged to a Vessel lately wrecked on the Sea Coast. With such a Story some Person in Want of Hands might be induced to engage him. Should it have been so, any One knowing it shall be well rewarded for the Information; and, if he is yet in the Colony, whoever apprehends him shall receive FIVE POUNDS on Delivery to me, or to his Master at *Fredericksburg*, besides what the Law allows for conveying him from the Place where he is taken up.

STAFFORD LIGHTBURN, Junior.

YORK County, *March* 7, 1771.

FORTY SHILLINGS Reward will be given to any Person who will take up, and deliver to the Subscriber, an outlawed Negro Slave named GABY, that has been run away several Months. He is a tall, black, ill shaped Fellow, stoops much, and has generally sore Legs. His Wife is hired by Mr *Lewis* in *Williamsburg*, where, in all Probability, he may be taken, as he was seen in that City about three Weeks ago. When he went off he had on the usual Clothing of labouring Negroes. If taken up there he may be committed to Jail, and Notice immediately given to

JAMES BURWELL.

WILLIAMSBURG, *February* 26, 1771.

WILLIAM R. DRINKARD begs Leave to inform the Publick that he intends to open TAVERN in the House lately occupied by Mr. *William Holt*, nearly opposite the Post Office, by the ensuing *April* Court. Those Gentlemen who please to favour him with their Custom may depend on good Accommodation.

WILLIAMSBURG, *February* 18, 1771.

THE Subscriber has taken the House lately occupied by Mr. *Southall*, where he hopes to be prepared, by the ensuing General Court, for the Accommodation of Gentlemen. He returns Thanks to those Gentlemen who have formerly frequented his House, and hopes to merit a Continuance of their Custom.

ROBERT ANDERSON.

N. B. A single Man, well recommended, who understands the Business of a Bar, will have Employment by applying to me.

SOUTHAMPTON, *February* 13, 1771.

THE Subscriber hereby gives Notice that he has lately removed to *Southampton* County, where he proposes to continue the Hospital, and the Practice of SURGERY and PHYSICK, in the same Manner it was conducted by his Father, the late Colonel *Jesse Browne*, and hopes to give the Satisfaction, to all Gentlemen who will favour him with their Commands, as was generally given by his Predecessor.

SAMUEL BROWNE.

WILLIAMSBURG, *February* 28, 1771.

I WILL give the best Price, and ready Money, for any Kind of OLD LEAD.

JOSEPH KIDD.

SOUTHAMPTON, *February* 13, 1771.

NOTICE is hereby given to all Persons indebted, on open Account, to the Estate of Colonel *Jesse Browne*, late of *Southampton* County, deceased, that every Person so indebted who shall fail to settle his Account by the 15th Day of *April* next, either by discharging the same, or giving Bond, with approved Security, if required, that such Accounts, after that Date, will immediately be put into the Hands of an Attorney. And all those indebted by Bond to the said Estate are requested to discharge the same by the said Date, it being necessary to settle the Estate as speedily as possible; and in Order thereto it is requested of those who have any Demands against the Estate to make them known, that they may be discharged.

SAMUEL BROWNE, }
JOHN ATKINSON, } Executors.
THOMAS JACK, }

AS I have declined my Practice as a Physician, *&c.* in the County of *King William*, and intend settling in the Town of *Blandford*, I think it necessary to give this publick Notice to those who have any Demands against me to make them known; and those indebted to me are desired to make immediate Payment to Mr. *William Lewis*, of the aforesaid County, whom I have appointed my Attorney.

ALEXANDER GLASS STRACHAN.

SUFFOLK, *February* 12, 1771.

AN ANCHOR, about a Thousand Weight, was lately taken up by the Subscriber, a few Miles the lower Side of *Smith*'s *Point*, *Chesapeak* Bay; which the Owner may have, on proving his Property.

JONAS MIRUR.

To be SOLD, *or* FREIGHTED,

A SCHOONER that will carry two Thousand Bushels of Grain. One Half the Purchase Money to be paid down, and the other Half in twelve Months. Apply to me, in *Sussex*.

JOHN THOMPSON.

TWENTY five choice SLAVES, *Virginia* born, will be sold to the highest Bidders, on *Monday* the 18th of *March*, at *Dinwiddie* Courthouse, being Court Day, for ready Money, or Merchants Notes payable at the *April* General Court. These Slaves have been formerly advertised to be sold at *Mecklenburg* Courthouse; but the Removal of them from the County of *Glocester*, the Place from whence they came, was attended with unforeseen Difficulties, which are now removed, they being as far as *Brunswick* on their Way.

FRANCIS WILLIS.

To be SOLD *at the Plantation where Mr.* Nathaniel Edwards, *Junior, deceased, lived, on* Thursday *the 14th of* March, *if fair, otherwise next fair Day,*

ALL the personal Estate of the said *Edwards*, consisting of many fine blooded Horses, Mares, and Colts, a very fine Stock of Cattle, Sheep, and Hogs, a well fixed Waggon, with Gears complete for six Horses, about seventy five Barrels of *Indian* Corn, one Hundred and fifty Bushels of Wheat, and all the Household Furniture and Plantation Utensils. Six Months Credit will be allowed, on Bond, with approved Security, being given. Also twelve or fifteen likely *Virginia* born SLAVES, for ready Money.

WILLIAM EDWARDS, Executor.

N. B. All Persons who have any Demand against the said Estate are desired to make them known.——At the same Time and Place will be sold fifteen likely SLAVES, for ready Money, or Merchants Notes payable in *April*.

By Decree of the Court of Vice Admiralty, to be SOLD *for ready Money, in the Borough of* Norfolk, *on* Friday *the 8th of* March,

THE *Spanish* SNOW *La Signiora De Los Remedios*, with her Tackle, Apparel, and Furniture; also four Hundred and eighty Barrels of Flower, four Hundred Weight of Cheese, six Hundred Bushels of Corn, forty Barrels of Pork and Beef, *&c. &c.*

JOHN TYLER, Marshal.

SMITHFIELD, *February* 21, 1771.

COMMITTED to *Isle of Wight* Jail, on the 20th of *January* last, a Negro Man who says he belongs to *Thomas Nelson*, and lived close by *York* Town. He is a likely black Fellow, a little pockpitted, and an outlandish Negro. The Owner may have him, on paying Charges, of

JOHN TAYLOR, Jailer.

RUN away from the Subsriber, some Time in the Month of *January*, a Negro Fellow named OUTER. He is about five Feet seven or eight Inches high, very slim, has very small Legs, and walks a little lame. He was sent to my Plantation by *Frederick Leigh*. Whoever will bring the said Runaway to me, in *King William* County, or will secure him so that I may get him again, shall have a Reward of FORTY SHILLINGS.

WILLIAM CLAIBORNE.

IMPORTED *in the* Chatham *Frigat, and to be* SOLD *at the Subscriber's Shop in* Blandford,

A VARIETY of DRUGS and MEDICINES; also Crucibles, Bluepots, some very large, Gallipots, Vials, Sugar Candy, Figs, Balsam of Honey, *Squire*'s Elixir, *Turlington*'s Balsam, *Joyce*'s Drops, *Anderson*'s Pills, *Bateman*'s Drops, *Bath* Oil, *Hungary* Water, *Turner*'s Powders, *Lucas*'s Pills, Court Plaister, Lard, Salop, Vermacelli, Verdigrise, Flesh Brushes, Wash Balls, Syringes, Lint, Tow, Goldbeat, Nipple Glasses, *&c. &c.*

WILLIAM STARK.

POETS CORNER.

The CHOICE *of a* WIFE.

ANYMPH not homely, better if she's fair,
Her Carriage easy, and genteel her Air;
Her Fame unblemish'd, and of Honour nice,
A Friend to Virtue, but a Foe to Vice;
The good Companion, and the generous Friend;
Her Conduct such as Envy must commend;
Skill'd in each Art that's proper for a Wife,
Fit to appear in any Rank of Life;
Not talkative, nor mute, I'd have her be;
Not dull, yet grave, not shy, nor yet too free,
Such and so easy should her Manner be;
Prudent and gentle, virtuous, wise, discreet,
A Husband's Will with Complaisance to meet;
Her Temper calm, in every State serene,
However fickle Fortune change the Scene.
Ye whom blind Love, perchance, has made so fond
To try your Fate in Wedlock's holy Bond,
First find the Fair form'd strictly to this Plan,
Then marry, and you'll be the happy Man.
But, if foul Lust inflames thy youthful Head
To choose a Partner for the Bridal Bed,
Ah soon, too soon! thou'lt curse the fatal Day,
And gross in Discontent thy Hours away.
Sure then, in this important Act of Life
(For such it is to choose thyself a Wife)
A calm, a nice Distinction, should be made
Between the wanton Nymph and modest Maid.
Let not soft Beauty's momentary Joys
Delude the Mind; such Pleasure soonest cloys:
"Good Nature only teaches Charms to last,
"Still makes new Conquest, and maintains the past."
'Tis Virtue, Sense, that truly can adorn,
And make Mankind admire the female Form.

GENERAL POST OFFICE, New York, *January* 22, 1771.

HIS Majesty's Postmaster General having (for the better facilitating of Correspondence between *Great Britain* and *America*) been pleased to add a fifth Packet Boat to the Station between *Falmouth* and *New York*, Notice is hereby given that the Mail, for the future, will be closed, at the Post Office in *New York*, at twelve of the Clock at Night, on the first *Tuesday* in every Month, and despatched by a Packet, the next Day, for *Falmouth*.

By Command of the Deputy Postmaster General.
ALEXANDER COLDEN, Secretary.

TAKEN up, in *King William*, a dark bay MARE about four Feet four or five Inches high, with a hanging Mane and Switch Tail, and branded on the near Buttock IP. Posted, and appraised to FIVE POUNDS. THOMAS BLACKWELL.

WANTED.

Four Negro Fellows.

Ready Money will be given. Inquire of Captain *William Fleet*, in *King* and *Queen* County.

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidders, on the third* Thursday *in* March, *at* King William *Courthouse, being Court Day,*

ELEVEN Hundred and twenty five Acres of exceeding fine well timbered LAND lying on *Pamunkey*, below *Ruffin's* Ferry, on the main Road from the Courthouse to *West Point*, being the Land whereon Colonel *Bernard Moore* formerly lived. In the last Advertisement of this Land it was, by Mistake, said to be subject to Mrs. *Moore's* Dower; but Mrs. *Moore* has already been satisfied for her Dower, by the late Speaker's Administrators, so that the Subscribers can now undertake to convey the Land discharged from all Encumbrances. At the same Time and Place will be sold several SLAVES, which could not be carried to the Sale at *Richmond*. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond, with Security, to

CARTER BRAXTON,
GEORGE WEBB,
THOMAS WALKER,
THOMAS JEFFERSON,
JACK POWER,
} Trustees.

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidders, on the second* Wednesday *in* March, *being the Day before* Caroline *Court, at Colonel* Bernard Moore's *Plantation in* Caroline,

THE Stocks of CATTLE, HOGS, CORN, and FODDER. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond, with Security, to Colonel *Moore's* Trustees. Mr. *Samuel Redd* will attend the Sale, in Behalf of the Trustees.

Also, on the second *Thursday* in *March*, being *Caroline* Court Day, at *Caroline* Courthouse, will be sold, to the highest Bidder, three Hundred and seventy Acres of well timbered LAND, with a good Dwellinghouse, and all convenient Outhouses, a good Garden, and an Orchard. Those inclinable to purchase the Land may be shown the same by Mr. *Samuel Redd*, who lives in the Neighbourhood of it. Twelve Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond and Security to

CARTER BRAXTON,
GEORGE WEBB,
THOMAS WALKER,
THOMAS JEFFERSON,
JACK POWER,
} Trustees.

WILLIAMSBURG, *February* 22, 1771.

RUN away from *Williamsburg*, on the 15th of *December* last, a Negro Man named PETER, about thirty Years old, five Feet four or five Inches high, of a yellowish Complexion, is an artful smooth talkative Fellow, can read and write, and may probably have forged Pass. He has been seen at the Plantation of the late Commissary *Robinson*, in *King* and *Queen* County, where he has several Relations. Whoever apprehends the said Slave, and will deliver him either to Mr. *David Lewis* in *New Kent* County, or to me in *Williamsburg*, shall have a Reward of FIVE POUNDS. Masters of Vessels, and others, are hereby forewarned from carrying the said Slave out of the Country. He is outlawed. JOHN LEWIS.

TAKEN up, in *King William*, a frosty coloured roan HORSE about four Feet seven Inches high, appears to be about thirteen or fourteen Years old, has a Switch Tail, Half his Mane cut off, in a Kind of a Roach, and the other Half a long Bob, some Saddle Spots, appears to pace naturally, and branded on the near Buttock IT. Posted, and appraised to five Pounds. HENRY CLARK.

NORFOLK, *January* 31, 1771.

STOLEN from the Ship *Morris, William* Long Master, lying at *Portsmouth*, on the Night of the 29th Instant, a Pleasure Boat YAWL, and three Oars. She has a red Streak, and a blue Streak, on each Side, with yellow Mouldings, and has lost her lower Rudder Iron. Whoever will bring the said Yawl to the Subscriber shall have TWENTY SHILLINGS Reward, and on Conviction of the Thief a further Reward of THIRTY SHILLINGS.

INGLIS & LONG.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a large black MARE with some white in her Forehead, her off hind Foot white, and Part of the Inside of her off fore Foot white She is branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock S, and paces fast. Posted, and appraised to ten Pounds.

PETER JONES, Senior.

To be SOLD,

THE Plantation well known by the Name of *Pond Marsh*, in *New Kent* County, four Miles below the *Brickhouse* Ferry, beautifully situated upon *York* River, commanding a large and extensive Prospect of the River and adjacent Country. The Land is good for Corn, Wheat, and Tobacco, is well timbered, and has a fine firm Marsh enclosed with a good Fence, containing three Hundred Acres, which will maintain two Hundred Head of Cattle, without feeding, in Winter. There are good Buildings on the Premises, a very good Garden, Apple and Peach Orchards, a good Tide Mill on a Creek near the House; every Thing in good Order for Cropping, and a great Plenty of Fish, Oysters, and Wild-fowl. Whoever inclines to purchase the above will be shown the same, and may know the Terms by applying to the Subscriber, on the Premises.

5l JOHN TOWNES.

Pursuant to the last Will and Testament of Mr. Anthony Hay, *deceased, will be* SOLD, *on* TUESDAY *the 7th of* MAY, *before the* Raleigh *Door, in* Williamsburg,

NINETEEN NEGROES belonging to his Estate, among them a very good Cabinet Maker, a good Coachman and Carter, some fine Waiting Boys, good Cooks, Washers, &c.——Six Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchasers giving Bond and Security to

WILLIAM TREBELL,
ROBERT NICOLSON,
} Executors.

N. B. All Persons who have Demands against Mr. *Hay*'s Estate are requested to make them speedily known, that Provision may be made for discharging them; and those indebted thereto are desired to make immediate Payment. It is hoped none of the Creditors will put the Estate to any unnecessary Charge, by Suits, when we assure them the best Means will be used to pay the Debts with all Speed, and when it is considered that Mr. *Hay* has left a large Family, whose tender Years entitle them to some Indulgence.

RICHMOND, *February* 6, 1771.

I INTEND to leave this Place by the first of *April* next, and to settle in *Williamsburg*; where I shall open a Shop on the main Street, near the Capitol, to clean and repair CLOCKS and WATCHES, and to make and sell all Sorts of GOLD and SILVER WORK, at the most reasonable Rates. Those who please to employ me may depend on their Work being done well, and expeditiously.

6 JAMES GALT.

RUN away from the Subscriber, on *Saturday* the 26th of *January*, an indented Servant Man named WILLIAM READ. He is a well set Fellow, about five Feet ten Inches high, and speaks the West Country Dialect pretty broad; had on, and took with him, a dark coloured Duffil short Frock Coat, a Pair of blue Plains Breeches with a spotted Cotton Waistband, a Pair of Yarn Stockings, Check Shirt, and *Virginia* made Shoes. He is a Farmer, and understands Something of making and laying Bricks. Whoever delivers the said Servant to me at *West Point*, in *King William* County, or secures him so that I may get him again, shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward.

Tf JOHN WEST.

Wanted on CHARTER, *to load Tar and Turpentine in* NORTH CAROLINA,

A VESSEL of about fifteen Hundred Barrels Burthen. For Terms apply to *James Marsden* in *Norfolk*, or the Subscribers at *Richmond*; who have for Sale a Quantity of good SEINE TWINE.

Tf STORRS & ELLIS.

To be LET *on* CHARTER, *for any Port in* Britain, *or to any Port to the Eastward,*

THE new Ship MORANT BAY, *James Craig* Master, which will be ready to take in her Load by the first of *February* next. Any Person inclinable to charter may know the Terms by applying to said Master, or of the Subscribers. She has excellent Accommodations for Passengers. Tf LOGAN, GILMOUR, & Co.

NORFOLK, *December* 25, 1770.

RUN away from the Subscriber, at the Falls of *James* River, the Middle of last Month, a Negro Man named DAVY, belonging to the Hon. *William Byrd*, Esquire, about thirty Years old, five Feet eight Inches high, and very stout made; he is of a yellow Complexion, has a down Look, and a Defect in some of his fore Teeth. He is supposed to be lurking about *Hanover* Town, *Petersburg*, or gone towards *Carolina*. Whoever will apprehend the said Fellow, and bring him to me, shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward; and if taken out of the Colony, FIVE POUNDS. Tf DAVID PATTESON.

A CATALOGUE *of* BOOKS, &c. *to be* SOLD *at the* POST OFFICE *in* Williamsburg.

ANSON's Voyages.
Astruc on Venereal Diseases.
Armstrong on the Diseases of Children.
Adventures of Robinson Crusoe.
Atkinson's Epitome.
British Zoology.
Butler's Remains.
Birch's Life of Henry Prince of Wales.
Baxter's Saints Everlasting Rest.
Bennet's Christian Oratory.
Buchanan's Dictionary.
Brown's Sunday Thoughts.
Beveridge's Thoughts.
Brooke's Introduction to the Practice of Physick.
British Plutarch.
Baron Bielfield's Letters.
Bartlet's Farriery.
Barclay's Apology.
Biographical Dictionary.
Boston's Fourfold State.
Bunyan's Holy War.
Complete Letter Writer.
Chandler's Life of King David.
Campbell's Present State of Europe.
Crevier's Roman History.
Chesselden's Anatomy.
Churchill's Poems.
The Connoisseur.
The Complete Gamester.
Chambaud's Geography.
Commentaries of Marcus Antoninus.
Calistus, or the Man of Fashion.
Castle of Otranto.
Cambray on Charity.
Crosby's Navigation.
Cocker's Arithmetick.
Dictionarium Rusticum.
Drelincourt on Death.
Dryden's Fables.
——— Works.
Dufresnoy's Chronological Tables.
Du Freval on Charity.
Duke of Wharton's True Briton.
Dinsdale's Hocrates.
Ditton on the Resurrection.
Derham's Astro-Theology.
Don Quixote.
Dodsley's Pleasing Instructor.
Doddridge on Religion.
——— on the New Testament.
Dilworth's Arithmetick.
Emerson's Mechanicks.
——— Fluxions.
Erskine's Sermons.
Edinburgh Dispensatory.
England's Gazetteer.
Edinburgh Medical Essays.
Epistolary Correspondence, being the third Volume of Letters on Theron and Aspasio.
Farmer's Guide.
Fox on the New Testament.
Fordyce's Art of Preaching.
Fenning's Arithmetick.
——— Book of Knowledge.
Female Spectator.
Fielding's Works.
Ferguson's Astronomy.
——— Lectures.
——— Tables and Tracts.
Family Companion for Health.
Farrier's Dictionary.
Grand Tour.
Goldsmith's Roman History.
Guthrie's Epistles to Atticus.
Gerard on Taste.
Gordon's Geographical Grammar.
Gentleman's Dictionary.
German Spy.
Gay's Fables.
Gould on Ants.
Harrison's Practice in Chancery.
History of Cape Breton.
——— of California.
——— of Greenland.
——— of Lewis XI.
——— of the Germans.
——— of Kuli Khan.
——— of Classick Authors.
——— of Miss Pittborough.
——— of Persia.
——— of the Civil Wars in Ireland.
History of the Spanish Settlements in America.
Hume's History of England.
Harris's Life of Cromwell.
Hunter's Observations on Tacitus.
Hurd's Dialogues.
Harris on the Globes.
—— on the Diseases of Infants.
Howell's History of the Bible.
Howell's Letters.
Helsham's Lectures.
Heister's Surgery.
Huxham on Fevers.
Historical Companion.
Hogarth Moralized.
Hogarth's Analysis of Beauty.
Hervey's Meditations.
——— Letters.
Hughes's Poems.
Impartial Inquiry into Faith.
James's Dispensatory.
James on Gardening.
James's Exposition of the Pentateuch
Joseph Andrews.
Kettlewell's Companion for the Penitent.
Kenrick's Epistles, Philosophical & Moral.
Love's Surveying.
Ledran's Observations.
——— Operations.
London Medical Observations.
Lind on the Scurvy.
—— on Diseases in Hot Climates.
Life of Charles XII.
—— of Duke of Marlborough.
Lord President Forbes's Works.
Langhorne's Letters.
——— Consolations.
——— Solyman and Almena.
Letters on Physiognomy.
Lives of the Spanish Painters.
Lewis's Church Catechism.
Maxwell's Husbandry.
Miller's Gardener's Calendar.
Models of Conversation.
Montesquieu's Spirit of Laws.
M'Laurin's Algebra.
Melmoth's Translation of Cicero's Letters.
Monro on Diseases.
Mihles's Surgery.
Mackenzie on Health.
M'Bride's Essays.
Martin's Philosophical Grammar.
Memoirs of Ladies of Great Britain.
Milton's Works.
Morgan's Physico-Theology.
Marquis D'Argens's Philosophical Dissertations.
Mariner's Compass Rectified.
——— New Calendar.
Mair's Arithmetick.
—— Introduction.
Messiah.
Noah.
New Whole Duty of Man.
—— Practice of Piety.
—— Week's Preparation.
Newgent's Account of Italy.
Nelson's Festivals.
Naval History of Great Britain.
Nature Displayed.
Osmer on Horses.
Potter's Antiquities of Greece.
——— Mathematicks.
The Preceptor.
Postlethwayt's Dictionary.
Present State of the British Empire in Europe, Asia, Africa, and America.
Pringle on the Diseases of the Army.
Pope's Works.
Partizan, or the Art of making War in Detachment.
Pilgrim's Progress.
Pemberton's Dispensatory.
Ruffhead's Life of Pope.
Religious Philosopher.
Reimarus's Dissertations.
Revisal of Shakespear's Text.
Rudiments of Grecian History.
Richardson's Æsop.
Rollin's Ancient History.
——— Belles Lettres.
Royal Farrier.
Smollet's History of England.
——— Gil Blas.
Sheridan on Education.
Smith on Distilling.
Simpson's Geometry.
Simson's Euclid.
Stewart's Mathematical Tracts.
Sir Isaac Newton's Universal Arithmetick.
Stanhope on the Epistles and Gospels.
Sharp's Surgery.
Smellie's Midwifery.
Swift's History of the four last Years of Queen Anne.
The Spectator.
Secret History of Persia.
Seneca's Morals.
Spincke's Devotions.
Steel's Poems.
Seaman's Daily Assistant.
Switzer on Gardening.
Sherlock on Death.
Sentiments, &c. of Pamela, Clarissa, and Sir Charles Grandison.
Telemachus.
Turkish Spy.
Thompson's Works.
Tom Jones.
Tristram Shandy.
Van Swieten's Abridgment.
Voltaire's Works.
Watts Logick.
—— Poems.
—— Psalms.
—— Hymns.
Westley's Poems.
Welsh's History of the Popes.
Whaley's Poems.
Works of the Minor Poets.
Wild's Surveying.
Wingate's Arithmetick.
Winter's Evening Entertainment.
Young Man's Best Companion.
Young's Works.
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The 5th, 6th, and 7th Volumes of Yorick's Sermons.
Dr. Swift's Posthumous Works, in three Volumes.
The 33d, 34th, and 35th Volumes of Voltaire's Works.

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Ainsworth's Dictionary.
Gradus ad Parnassum.
Castalio's Latin Bible.
——— Dialogues.
Mair's Tyro's Dictionary.
Lilly's Grammar.
Ward's Grammar.
Griffie's Grammar.
Ruddiman's Grammar.
——— Rudiments.
Clarke's Introduction.
——— Grammar.
——— Cordery.
——— Æsop.
——— Eutropius.
——— Florus.
——— Erasmus.
——— Ovid's Metamorphoses.
Duncan's Cæsar.
——— Cicero's Orations.
Davidson's Virgil.
——— Horace.
Hutchinson's Xenophon.
Profodia Construed.
Sterling's Ovid.
——— Persius.
——— Florus.
——— Phædrus.
Maittaire's Homer.
——— Virgil.
Virgil,
Horace,
Ovid,
Sallust,
Justin,
Cicero's Orations,
Juvenal, and
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